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endments to the claims

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions and listings of the claims.

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) A compound having Formula [[A]] IV

$$R_5 = R_3$$
Formula [[A]] IV

wherein each dotted line optionally represents a double bond;

wherein R_3 is H or a substituent <u>selected from hydrocarbyl</u>, -S-hydrocarbyl, halogen and $N(R_9)(R_{10})$, wherein each of R_9 and R_{10} are independently selected from H and hydrocarbyl groups;

L is absent or is -CH₂-;

wherein R₄ is selected from H and hydrocarbyl;

wherein R_5 is an optionally substituted aryl ring;

and wherein X is selected from S, O, NR₆ and C(R₇)(R₈), wherein R₆ is selected from H and hydrocarbyl groups, wherein each of R₇ and R₈ are independently selected from H and hydrocarbyl groups;

or a salt thereof[[;]]

provided that the compound is other than

wherein X is S or O,

R₄ is selected from C₂-C₁₂-substituted alkyl, C₃-C₁₂ branched alkyl, C₂-C₆(alkylene)Q₁₄,

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 $-CH(CF_3)_2, -CH((CF_2)nCF_3)n, -CH(CF_3)Q_{11}, -CHQ_{12}(aryl), -CHQ_{14}(heteroaryl),$

-CHQ₁₁(heterocyclyl), cycloalkyl, or a monocyclic 3-7 membered ring containing zero to three heteroatoms, wherein such heteroatoms are selected from O, N, or S;

Q₀ is selected from hydrogen, halogen, CN, -C(O)CF₃, -S(O)nCF₂, -C(O)CH₂F, -CH(OH)CF₃,

 $-N(CN)_2$, $-C(CN)_3$, $-CHQ_{10}Q_{11}$, C_1 , $-C_{12}$ alkyl, substituted C_1 , $-C_{12}$ alkyl, $-CF_3$, $-(CF_2)mCF_3$,

 $-CH(CF_3)_2$, $-CF(CF_3)_2$, $-SO_3H$, alkylamino, alkylsulfanyl, aryl, C_1 - C_{12} alkoxy, substituted C_1 - C_{12} alkoxy, $C(X)Q_{10}$, $-CQ_{11}(V)Q_{12}$, $-CQ_{11}(V)Q_{12}$, $-S(O)_1R_{12}$, $-S(O)_2R_{12}$, -S(O

-S(O)₂NH(₂-thiazolyl), -(4-oxo-2-thioxo-thiazolidin-5-ylidene), tetrazolyl,

 $-CH_2(1,1-dioxo-1lambda*6-thiomorpholin-4-yl), -S(O)_2CH_2NO_2, S(O)_2CH_2S(O)_2Q_{12},$

 $-P(O)(OQ_{14})Q_{12}$, $-NR_{14}P(O)OQ_{12}$, $-P(O)(NQ_{14}Q_{12})$, a substituted or unsubstituted monocyclic 3-

7 membered ring containing one to three heteroatoms, wherein such heteroatoms are selected from O, N, or S;

 Q_{10} is selected from hydroxy, amino, -NHCN, C_1 - C_{12} -alkyl, substituted C_1 - C_{12} -alkyl, eyeloalkyl, alkylamino, C_1 - C_{12} -alkoxy, -CF₃, heterocyclyl or aryl;

Q₁₁-is selected from hydrogen, C₁-C₁₂ alkyl, substituted C₁-C₁₂ alkyl, heterocyclyl, or aryl;

Q₁₂ is selected from C₁-C₁₂ alkyl, substituted C₁-C₁₂ alkyl, heterocyclyl, or aryl;

 Q_{13} is selected from substituted C_2 - C_{12} alkyl, substituted C_2 - C_{12} alkenyl, substituted C_2 - C_{12} alkynyl, heterocyclyl, alkylether, alkylamino, and unsubstituted or substituted heteroaryl or $-Q_9$ -substituted phenyl;

O14-is-COO3:

Q₃ is selected from hydrogen, hydroxy, amino, C₁-C₁₂alkyl, substitutedC, -C₂-alkyl, alkylamino, aryl, C₁-C₁₂ alkoxy, substituted C₁-C₁₂ alkoxy, or a monocyclic 3-7 membered ring containing zero to three heteroatoms, wherein such heteroatoms are selected from O, N, or S, wherein such substituents are independently chosen from Q₉;

X is O, S, NQ₄, NOQ₄, NCN, NNO₂, CQ₁₁NO₂, CQ₁₁CN, C(CN)₂, CQ₁₁Q₁₂, or N-NQ₁₁Q₁₂; V is OH, SH, CN;

further provided that the compound is not

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$$R_4$$
 R_5 R_4 R_3

wherein X is NR₆ or C(R₇)(R₈), R₄ is H or lower alkyl;

further provided that the compound is not 6-(4-fluorobenzenesulfonylamino)indoline.

2. (Cancelled)

3. (Original) A compound according to claim 1 wherein L is not present.

4-10. (Cancelled)

11. (Original) A compound according to claim 1 having Formula VI

or a salt thereof.

12. (Original) A compound according to claim 1 having Formula VII

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or a salt thereof.

13. (Cancelled)

- 14. (Previously Presented) A compound according to claim 1 wherein R_3 is selected from H and C_1 - C_{10} alkyl groups.
- 15. (Original) A compound according to claim 1 wherein R₃ is -CH₃.
- 16. (Currently Amended) A compound according to claim 1-of having Formula VIII

$$R_5$$
 R_5
 R_4
Formula VIII

wherein R_3 is H or a substituent selected from hydrocarbyl, -SH, -S-hydrocarbyl, halogen and $N(R_9)(R_{10})$, wherein each of R_9 and R_{10} are independently selected from H and hydrocarbyl groups;

L is absent or is -CH₂-;

wherein R₄ is selected from H and hydrocarbyl;

wherein R₅ is an optionally substituted aryl ring

or a salt thereof.

17. (Currently Amended) A compound according to claim [[1]] 16 having Formula IX

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$$\mathsf{R}_5 - \mathsf{S} \\ \mathsf{R}_4 \\ \mathsf{R}_3 \\ \mathsf{R}_3 \\ \mathsf{R}_3$$

or a salt thereof.

18. (Currently Amended) A compound according to according to claim [[1]] 16 having Formula X

$$R_5$$
 N Formula X R_4 N R_3

or a salt thereof.

19. (Currently Amended) A compound according to claim [[1]] 16 having Formula XI

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or a salt thereof.

- 20. (Currently Amended) A compound according to claim [[1]] 16 wherein R₃ is selected from O, hydrocarbyl, and N(R₉) wherein R₉ is selected from H and hydrocarbyl groups.
- 21. (Currently Amended) A compound according claim [[1]] $\underline{16}$ wherein R_3 is selected from O, C_1 - C_{10} alkenyl groups, NH and N- C_1 - C_{10} alkyl groups.

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22. (Original) A compound according to claim 21 wherein R₃ is a C₁-C₆ alkenyl group.

- 23. (Original) A compound according to claim 21 wherein R_3 is a C_1 - C_3 alkenyl group.
- 24. (Original) A compound according to claim 21 wherein R₃ is a N-C₁-C₆ alkyl group.
- 25. (Original) A compound according to claim 21 wherein R₃ is a N-C₁-C₃ alkyl group.
- 26. (Original) A compound according to claim 1 wherein R₄ is selected from H and C₁-C₁₀ alkyl groups.
- 27. (Original) A compound according to claim 26 wherein R₃ is a C₁-C₆ alkyl group.
- 28. (Original) A compound according to claim 26 wherein R₃ is a C₁-C₃ alkyl group.
- 29. (Original) A compound according to claim 1 wherein R₄ is H.
- 30. (Original) A compound according to claim 1 wherein R₄ is a group of the formula.

31-34. (Cancelled)

35. (Original) A compound according to claim 1 wherein R_5 is a group having the formula

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wherein each of R_{11} , R_{12} , R_{13} , R_{14} and R_{15} are independently selected from H, halogen, and hydrocarbyl groups.

- 36. (**Original**) A compound according to claim 35 wherein each of R₁₁, R₁₂, R₁₃, R₁₄ and R₁₅ are independently selected from H, halogen, alkyl, phenyl, O-alkyl, O-phenyl, nitrile, haloalkyl, carboxyalkyl, -CO₂H, CO₂alkyl, and NH-acetyl groups.
- 37. (Original) A pharmaceutical composition comprising a compound according to claim 1 optionally admixed with a pharmaceutically acceptable carrier, diluent, excipient or adjuvant.

38-62. (Cancelled)

- 63. (Original) A compound according to claim 1 wherein R₃ is a C₁-C₆ alkyl group.
- 64. (Original) A compound according to claim 1 wherein R₃ is a C₁-C₃ alkyl group.